

# THE REGISTER.

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## REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

A convention of the Republicans of Allen county to nominate candidates for Treasurer, Sheriff, County Clerk, Register of Deeds, Coroner, County Surveyor and Commissioners, will be held at the court house in Iola, at 2 o'clock P. M.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4th, 1875.  
Immediately after nominating candidates for the above named offices the delegates in this convention from the townships comprising the 4th and 15th representative districts will form themselves into separate conventions for the purpose of nominating candidates for their respective districts.

**PRIMARY MEETINGS.**  
It is recommended that the Republican voters of each township meet at their respective places of holding elections on Tuesday, September 28th, 1875, for the purpose of electing delegates to this convention. In Iola and Humboldt township the primary meetings will be held at 2 o'clock P. M., and in all the other townships at 7 o'clock P. M. The townships entitled to delegates are as follows: Geneva, 4; Deer Creek, 5; Osage, 2; Iola, 1; Elm, 2; Elmwood, 2; Humboldt, 12; Salem, 2; Cottage Grove, 4.

All Republicans are cordially invited to attend these meetings and take part in the selections of delegates for the county convention.  
Where townships desire to make nominations for the township officers to be elected this fall, they are requested to make their nominations at the same time they select their delegates to the county convention, or at that time appoint a meeting for the purpose of making such nominations.

By order Central Committee.

W. G. ALLISON, Chairman.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

**JUDGE 7TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.**  
To the Voters of the 7th Judicial District, State of Kansas:

The undersigned, (present incumbent) announces himself as a candidate for the office of Judge of said District, and respectfully asks your suffrages.

H. W. TALCOTT.

## TREASURER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.

WATSON STEWART.

## SHERIFF.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention, at Iola, October 4th, 1875.

J. L. WOODIN.

At the late election in California the constitutional convention was defeated.

The discussion over the Kansas "metropolis" continues, but in the mean time we don't believe they have "broke dirt" at any new point with a view to building said "metropolis."

One of the politicians of Chicago, who has reformed and quit politics, recently preached a lay sermon which the papers of that city say was a good one, and they are now asking of other politicians "Go thou and do likewise."

In Japan they undoubtedly have cheap labor, for they are now shipping brick to California and selling them cheaper than those made in that State. In addition to the cost of shipping they pay a duty of twenty per cent. on them.

If the question of dueling among editors is to be inaugurated, it is quite probable that on account of poor health—or some other legitimate reason—a number of editors will be compelled to abandon the newspaper business at once.

In the account of the duel between Maj. Edwards and Maj. Foster, the St. Louis editors, it is said that they both made "fine shots a little above the head." Now we should like to know who saw those balls, the parties firing them or their seconds.

In parts of Wisconsin and Minnesota great damage was done to the crops in the state, last week, by a heavy rainfall. The devastated area is not large, but it is more disheartening to farmers to have their grain destroyed after the labor of harvesting had been completed than if it had been done earlier in the season.

The report that Geo. A. Crawford had gone into bankruptcy is denied by the Fort Scott Sentinel. It says that by the immense depreciation of values, and the loss by fire of a flouring mill and a woolen factory, he has suffered greatly, but that he is able to secure all he owes to the satisfaction of his creditors and that there is no danger of his being thrown into bankruptcy.

RALEIGH, the late president of the Bank of California, had his life insured for \$50,000 and if, as is generally supposed, he committed suicide, he showed his usual shrewdness in so doing. By swimming far out into the ocean while bathing and forcing himself under water until life was extinct he left no evidence of self-destruction, and his family will get the insurance money.

In New Jersey Catholic priests from their pulpits call upon catholic voters to scratch the amendments to the State constitution which relates to public schools and forbid an appropriation of public money for the support of sectarian institutions. Great interest is manifested among the protestants and it is thought they will gather in force to vote for these amendments.

GRASSHOPPERS by the million were recently reported as flying over central and southern Illinois, going in a southeasterly direction. But few of them lighted. It is too late in the season for them to do any great damage. Where did they come from and where are they going? Learned men can again commence giving their theories, but we suggest that they are hunting a place to deposit their eggs from whence their young can be on hand at the opening of the centennial next year.

THE New York Witness, in an article on "Unlimited Capacity of Growth," estimates that Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and several other States could support a population of ten million each, and that our second centennial will be celebrated by at least two hundred million people. What a big thing we will miss by not being able to participate in the second centennial.

A LETTER has been recently published by one Wilder, a contractor for Indian supplies, in which Mr. Wm. Welsh is pronounced a "hypocritical scoundrel." And this—to the satisfaction of the contractors—disposes of Mr. Welsh's charges of short weights, bad meats, fraudulent vouchers, over counts, etc. An easy way of disposing of said charges. The wonder is that some of them have not spoken sooner.

It is given as an excuse for Secretary Delano's tolerance of Indian frauds that he is ignorant in regard to the matter, having been absent so much of the time. Last year it is estimated he was absent 157 days attending to his private affairs. It would be satisfactory to the people if he was absent 365 days in the year, and ex-Senator Pratt, of Indiana—now a subordinate—advanced to the head of the Department of the Interior.

THE Democratic Leader, of Binghampton, N. Y., in speaking of the proposed State convention by the Liberals in that State, says:

"All Liberal Republicans who are not willing to accept of the advances made to them last year, by the Democrats, and cannot act with the party under the call of our State Committee this year, should go right back to their old dirty room in the Republican party, and stop dogging around, waiting to be offered an office by the Democrats."

JEFF DAVIS spoke at the agricultural fair at DeSoto, Mo., on the 8th inst., where he was well received, but no great demonstrations were made on the occasion. He announced that he had no intention of discussing questions that would disturb the harmony which prevailed among the people. He said the people of the great Mississippi valley are and must always remain one people, that no deep designs of ambitious men could ever sever them. He spoke at length upon the vast agricultural resources of the Mississippi valley and its importance to the nation. To-day he speaks at the fair at Fulton, Mo.

At the late election in California the Democrats elected their State ticket by a plurality of 30,000. The Independent nominee for Governor failed to carry a single county. The leading issues in the campaign were of a local nature, and the election has little significance outside of the State. However it is a Democratic victory and it is in order for Democrats to rejoice, but as we have no Democratic party in this county it would probably be well for the Reformers to do the rejoicing. There is really no inconsistency in Reformers rejoicing over a Democratic victory, for when they are successful the Democrats claim it as a victory for themselves.

It is rumored, and we hope it may prove true, that the President in his next annual message to Congress will recommend the abolition of the Indian bureau and the transfer to the war department all matters relating to the Indians. Even if it could be established that the Indian bureau has been honest in all its dealings with the Indians we believe the change would be a good one. The military has to be employed all over the Indian country to preserve peace, and the officers of the army could do all the work of the Indian bureau and save the expense of its officers. Life and property on the frontier would be made more secure and the Indians would receive equally as good treatment.

Two editors in St. Louis recently went over into Illinois and wasted some ammunition over the Jeff Davis Winnebago affair. Mr. John M. Edwards, of the Times, wrote an article on the action of the citizens of Winnebago county in refusing to allow Jeff Davis to speak at their fair. Col. S. E. Foster of the Evening Journal, wrote a reply in which he severely criticised the author of the article in the Times. This resulted in a duel being fought on the 4th inst. near Rockford, Ill., in which shots were exchanged without either party being hurt. So these gentlemen returned home, one having given, and the other having received satisfaction. Ridiculous. Even if dueling was not forbidden by law it would be foolish for editors to attempt to give satisfaction according to the "code" to every one who felt aggrieved at their writings.

## REFORMERS.

In an article about the Reform convention in Woodson county, the Post says:

The reform movement was so badly "busted" last fall that several men who acted with it told us they wanted no more "reform" in their. They could vote the Democratic or Republican ticket straight, but can't stand any more mixture. Reform in our opinion simply means a change by turning out men who are in office and putting in these men who are so loud for a reformation, and the result will be felt very much as it has been and is being felt by the President's Quaker policy. Under the old system of running the Indian business the agents did not intend to steal more than half, but the Quakers hog it all, and would like to have a land grant to help along. So we think it would be with the average reformer; he'd go the whole hog while he had his hand in.

We do not mean to say that all reformers are dishonest, but we think the great leaders of the party could serve the people to better advantage if they would stay at home.

## H. W. TALCOTT.

Under the heading of "announcements" in to-day's paper will be found a card from the above named gentleman announcing himself as a candidate for the office of Judge of the 7th Judicial District. Judge Talcott by appointment of the Governor is at present, and has been for some time past, discharging the duties of this office. In this county we know he has preserved order in the court room, presided with proper dignity and given general satisfaction in his rulings, and last—though by no means least—he has kept the business so moving as to make the terms of court much shorter than they formerly were, thereby greatly reducing the expenses of the county. And this, so far as we can learn, has been the case in every county in the District. The Judge is well qualified to discharge the duties of the position to which he aspires, and by his gentlemanly bearing and genial manners he has made a host of friends in every county in which he holds court. We believe that he will as he deserves, receive the cordial support of a large majority of the voters in the District.

## RIOT IN MISSISSIPPI.

There has been a most disgraceful riot and massacre in Mississippi. The commencement of the trouble was at Clinton last Saturday, where the marshal, colored, attempted to prevent a couple of young men from drinking a bottle of whisky because the laws of that place prohibited the sale of intoxicating liquors. A fight ensued in which the negroes killed two or three whites. At once dispatches were sent to Vicksburg for assistance, and companies of armed men immediately joined those of Clinton. Since that time the civil government in one or two counties has been overthrown and the officers have had to flee for their lives; labor on the plantations was suspended, the negroes flying to the woods and swamps for fear of being murdered. How many murders have been committed is not known, and negroes are reported as being found around promiscuously.

In an article on this massacre the Leavenworth Commercial of the 9th inst. says:  
One more of those terrible massacres has occurred at Clinton, Mississippi, at which humanity revolts. Once more have the passions of men made mad work. From all the information we can gather, it was entirely unprovoked, cold blooded and brutal. Much of it is due to the weakness, yes, imbecility of Gov. Ames. He lacks decision; he lacks vim; he lacks brains; he lacks every quality of manhood which fit a man for his place. He is one of the abject of the debris left in the State of Mississippi by the floods of the rebellion. He neither commands the respect nor exercises the power in that State which would make a Governor respectable anywhere. If he did, men would fear him enough to prevent such outrages.

## NEW YORK REPUBLICANS.

The Republicans of New York held their State Convention at Saratoga on the 8th inst. George William Curtis was appointed chairman and a platform adopted when the following ticket was nominated: For Secretary of State, Fred W. Seward; Comptroller, Gen. F. E. Spinner; Attorney General, G. L. Danforth; State Engineer, H. P. Cornell; Canal Commissioner, Wm. E. Tinsley; State Prison Inspector, Rev. B. F. Ives. The platform adopted makes the following declarations:  
"The national government should remain in the hands of those who sustain the guarantees of the amended constitution; in pursuance of the past action of the Republican party and good results, the welfare of the country requires a just, generous and forbearing national policy in the Southern States; affirms a refusal to use military power, except for purposes clearly defined in the constitution; local enforcement of the national authority by those only who are in sympathy with such a policy and will heartily support it; demands honest economy and efficiency in every branch of the State and National administrations; prompt investigation into all charges of wrong doing and a summary exposure of wrong doers; heartily commends the action of officers, whether of the State or national government, in their honest endeavors for the correction of public abuses, and pledges them a consistent and faithful support; further inflation of the currency under any pretense whatever would be a public calamity; the interests of honest industry and our common welfare demand the speediest possible return to specie payment; the whole subject of taxation ought to be carefully and wisely reviewed to the end that its burdens should bear equally on all; recognizing as conclusive, the President's public declaration that he is not a candidate for re-nomination, and with the sincerest gratitude for his patriotic services, we declare our unalterable opposition to the election of any President, for a third term. The public school is a bulwark of the American Republic; we therefore demand an unqualified maintenance of the public school system, and its support by equal taxation. We are opposed to all sectarian appropriations, and we denounce as enemies against liberty and Republican institutions, any project for a sectarian division or provision of the school fund of the State. The national administration by its steadfast fidelity to the principles of commercial honor, by its opposition to unsound financial projects, by its calm avoidance of a collision with foreign powers, by its reliance on justice and reason rather than force, in settlements of disputes, by its firm vindication of national dignity and authority, by rigidly executing the laws, correcting retrenchment without boastful ostentatious pretensions, deserves the gratitude of the American people, and adds a lustre to the service in the war of the distinguished soldier and patriot who stands at its head."

Homesteaders who are foreigners should take notice of the fact that the Commissioner of the General Land Office has decided that fine citizen papers must be taken out in the District Court, and not before a Judge of Probate.

The Wilson County Citizen says: Wheat sown in Wilson county between the 1st and 15th of September has never been known to fail of a good yield.

## STATE NEWS.

Five burglaries during one night in Lawrence.

One bushel of potatoes to every twelve hills in Cloud county.

F. G. Hunt, of Emporia, has filed a petition in bankruptcy.

Wm. Ransom, of Wathens, has been taken over one pound each.

The Garrett Plasterer says hay is only \$2.00 per ton in their market.

In Sumner county water melons are considered dear at two for a nickel.

Mr. Nat. G. Barker has sold his interest in the Fort Scott Sentinel and Pioneer to W. K. Larkin.

Many of the farmers of Shawnee county are agitating the question of adopting the herd law.

Ingenuously constructed torpedoes protect melons, apples and pears, in Doniphan county.

The Marion County Agricultural Society hold their first fair at Peabody on the 13th, 14th and 15th of October.

The Hiawatha Dispatch has a castor bean pod two feet three inches long, and about three hundred seed burrs on it.

A meeting of the Arkansas Valley Presbyterian Association, in connexion with a Sunday School Association, will be held in Newton September 7th and 9th.

Mr. Perkins, of Minneapolis, Kansas, has a powder-horn that was used in the Revolutionary war, by his grandfather, Ephraim Perkins. It will go to the Centennial.

The Burlington Patriot decides that the late session of the grand jury has proved "a luxury entirely disproportionate to the good sought to be accomplished."

The South Kansas Tribune says that one of their Reform-Democratic politicians swapped a peck of peaches—the "first fruits" of his orchard—for a quart of cheap whisky.

The Methodists are arranging to purchase a tabernacle—a tent with a capacity to seat 2,500 people—in which they expect to hold meetings in different parts of Salina District.

Two attempts were made in Coffey county to oust the County Attorney. One for neglecting to attend the grand jury, and the other under the new law for being drunk. Both failed.

The party that left Arkansas City with a flatboat for Little Rock, were last reported one hundred miles below Arkansas City. They found the channel three feet in depth all the way.

The Sumner County Press is authority for saying that Dr. W. H. Moore of that county, has a pumpkin vine fifty yards in length, is still growing, and has already forty-two pumpkins on it.

The Wamego Blade does not believe in digging up Jeff Davis for county purposes, and says: "Let the petticoat of oblivion be kindly cast over this weak-kneed representative of all that is false, murderous and treacherous."

The Marysville News says: "A wall-eyed dead beat has used this paper for libel, for a mistake which was cheerfully corrected, and it now transpires that he was just the kind of a cat we said he was. In short, he is a libertine."

The Salina Herald explains as follows: Many Eastern editors are much puzzled to know what we mean by "volunteer wheat." They have seen notices in the Herald and other reliable central Kansas papers, announcing the harvesting of "volunteer" crops of wheat and rye that yielded twenty to twenty-five bushels of number one grain to the acre, and they can't understand it. For their information we will explain that a "volunteer crop" means here just what it means anywhere else—a crop grown on stubble sown from the scattering seed left by the previous year's harvest, without any plowing, harrowing or sowing, or any work or care of any kind until it is ready to be harvested. Many fields of this "volunteer wheat," yielding over twenty bushels to the acre, have been harvested in Salina and adjoining counties this season.

## The Black Hills Swindle.

One of the very evident motives for the exaggerated and absurd stories about the amount of gold in the Black Hills is the fact that the agents and land-grass-on at the frontier are endeavoring to infuse into the simple-minded Indians the idea that there is untold treasure in their barren hills, and that they can obtain from the government almost any price they may ask. A correspondent says that the plan is now to demand a bonus of seven millions, and annual distribution for fifty years, to the total amount of about \$350,000,000. A big share of this immense amount would come into the pockets of the lazy rascals who live on the ignorance and helplessness of the red men can be imagined. The correspondents and editors who have joined in the crazy chorus about enormously rich gold discoveries, have done their best to help in this contemplated swindle, but it will not work. If the Indians are induced to make extravagant demands a comparison of fact with fiction will show the desired country at its fair value for hunting grounds and for agriculture, with a nominal addition for its possible gold yield. The Indians should then be informed in a most positive manner that not another dollar would be allowed, and that only a limited time will be given for consideration. There is little doubt that the white jackals who live by Indian plunder would soon succeed in convincing their red victims that something is better than nothing, and that peaceable entrance would thus be given to the thousands of deluded men who will rush next year to the Black Hills for the wealth which they will never bring back.—Chicago Post and Mail.

## Postal News.

Post-office changes in Kansas during the week ending August 21st, 1875. Furnished by Wm. Van Vleck, of the Post-office Department:

POST-OFFICES ESTABLISHED—Lola, Pratt county, Abram Kelley; Quaker Point, Jewell county, Isaac C. George.

POSTMASTERS APPOINTED—Belfield, Rush county, Richard Deighton; Decatur, Decatur county, Justin Allen; Fulda, Chautauqua county, Moses Liebenberg; Jamesburg, Sedgewick county, Henry Lonsdale; Kedron, Osage county, William H. Phillips; Lilly, McPherson county, Benjamin F. Phillips; New Salem, Cowley county, W. H. Douglas; Reading, Lyon county, John Stickley; Spring Valley, McPherson county, P. J. Schermerhorn; Wauhsara, Lyon county, Mrs. Mary A. Wilt.

## GENERAL NEWS.

The Turkish army is said to consist of about 600,000 men, well armed.

The three medical colleges for women in New York have over 150 students.

Eight newspaper correspondents will accompany the Prince of Wales to India.

Instruction and degrees are now given to women at the University of Copenhagen.

Two sons of Ralston, the late California Bank manager, are at school in Boston.

Capt. Eads's jetties at the mouth of the Mississippi are a highly successful success.

Deposits of silver of extraordinary richness at Rifle River, Mich., are reported.

The Postoffice Department is now ready to commence the issue of postal cards of the new design.

Heavy rains in the Barach district of India will necessitate the replanting of a large part of the cotton crop.

Ralston, though a prominent Republican, contributed money to aid the California Democrats at the late election.

Ford county is to build a court house and jail, and architects and contractors are invited to make proposals for the work.

A good showing: The expenditures of the United States Government were less during the year 1874-5 than for any year since 1861.

New South Wales is preparing for transmission to Melbourne for exhibition colonial products, designed for the Philadelphia centennial.

The irrepressible American can not be repressed. The more you try to enslave him the more he will be free. Even the girls, the more they are pinched back the more forward they will appear.

The first of the trials of the negroes accused of attempting to incite insurrection in Georgia, resulted in a verdict of acquittal, the prosecution failing to produce any proof of criminal intent.

Miss Betsey Straw, of Warner, N. H., who lacks only two months of being 101 years old, is knitting a pair of worsted stockings for Dr. Lambert, of New York, and another pair for A. T. Stewart.

A Bloomington, Ill., paper is invited to pay a traveling music teacher \$15,000 for the luxury of calling him "a sorrel-topped lyre." The singing teacher evidently understands phonetics, and reads by sound.

Two lurches of castor beans were brought to the Vinland postoffice the other day, says the Lawrence Journal, that weighed 33 lbs., the largest of which was two feet long. Some pods had four and five beans in them.

Life has few more bitter moments than such as when the enterprising gentleman who broke into a railroad depot and carried off the well-filled trunk of a Chicago "drummer" found, on opening it, that it contained—unmatched shoes.

A violent rain storm at Dubuque washed a policeman from under a shed where he was taking a comfortable snooze, out into the river. This is a terrible warning to our guardians of the night, not to trust to sheds when they sleep.

Gov. Tilden is now estimated to be worth four millions of dollars, all made by railroad jobbery. As the Governor is now pretty well fixed, and is really above want, he can well afford to make war on these smaller fellows who are trying to reach his figure out of the canals. —Waverly (N. Y.) Advocate.

There has been a heavy typhoon in the China Sea. Several ships were wrecked and the steamship Gaelic considerably injured, and Chief Officer Ritchie and a stevedore named Patterson washed overboard and drowned. There has also been great damage in the central provinces of Japan. Farms have been flooded and many lives lost. Houses, bridges and upward of \$2,000,000 in produce have been destroyed. The rainfall was seven and one half inches in a few days.

## Crowding P. Lines.

The next Governorship is a question which some newspapers are already agitating and numerous candidates, or expressions in favor of many for Governor, have been made. Among the rest we notice that Trustee Salter, of Neosho county, is being advocated by two or three papers for gubernatorial honors in 1876. We think there is ample time to discuss State politics next year, and agitating the candidate question at present is unnecessarily "crowding the animals."

Our first choice for Governor is decided upon, but we are not so anxious over the matter as to announce the gentleman's name before the campaign properly opens. Let the press continue the good work of publishing to the world facts in reference to our big crops this year and the prosperous condition of Kansas, and let next season's crops be well along in growth before introducing State politics to the public notice. —Wilson County Citizen.

## State Treasury.

Another examination of the funds in the State Treasurer's office has been completed, and the sum of two hundred thousand, three hundred and five and 96-100 dollars have been found on hand, belonging to the different funds, as follows:

General revenue fund.....	\$24,139.47
Interest fund.....	\$2,357.99
Permanent school fund.....	\$6,141.69
Annual school fund.....	\$7,372.22
Insurance fund.....	\$4,217.10
Literary fund.....	353.00
Military fund.....	500.77
Railroad fund.....	1,710.57
Insurance fund.....	29
	\$390,303.91

The foregoing exhibits the amounts on hand belonging to the several funds at the time of the examination. Several warrants have since been paid.

The Douglas county commissioners have decided to levy a tax on Building Associations.

Four Kansas postmasters have been dismissed lately for speculating in postage stamps.

## New Meat Market.

Having just purchased the

## Meat Market

On Madison Avenue, first door west of Scott's, we will keep constantly on hand

ALL KINDS OF MEAT,

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Give us a call when you want meat and we guarantee satisfaction.

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HATS AND CAPS FOR MEN AND BOYS, in styles to suit the Professional Man, the Business Man, the Farmer, the Mechanic and the Flow Boy.

Windows, Hollands, Paper Shades and Pattern Curtain Fixtures constantly on hand. Wall Paper in great variety.

J. & P. Coats' and Clark's O. N. T. Spool Thread in all numbers, and the story is not half told. We will prove the facts at the counter.

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